Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board Nominees

Wednesday, May 23, 2007, 8:30 a.m.
University of Arizona
Student Union Memorial Center, Catalina Room
1303 East University Boulevard, Tucson, Arizona

Members/Nominees Present:

Nadine Mathis Basha, Chair Rhian Evans-Allvin Gary Pasquinelli Dr. Pamela Powell Jack Jewitt Anthony Rogers; Director, AHCCCS Dr. Gene Thompson Tracy Wareing; Director, DES

Karen Woodhouse; Deputy Associate Superintendent, ADE

Members/Nominees Absent:

The Honorable Cecil Patterson, Jr. Vivian Juan-Saunders; Chairwoman Tohono O'odham Nation Susan Gerard, Director, DHS Paul Luna

Staff Present:

Early Childhood Development and Health Board (ECDHB)

Elliott Hibbs; Interim Executive Director Donna Linkous; Support Services Administrator Glenda Bye; Executive Staff Assistant Sandy Foreman; Sr. Program Specialist

State School Readiness Board (SRB)

Karen Ortiz; Director Jennifer Johnson Donna Migliore Judy Walruff

Linda Cannon; Consultant

Presentations by:

Elliott Hibbs; Interim Executive Director

All lists, reports, summaries, background materials, and other documents referred to in these minutes can be found in the May 22 and 23, 2007, document files.

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:40 am.

II. Call to the Public

No one came forward to address the Board.

III. Review and Discuss the May 22, 2007, Forum and Format for Future Forums

The Chair recognized members of the audience, who were in attendance the previous evening, and thanked them for their participation.

Board members offered comments regarding the presentations and audience comments. Board members were asked to submit any specific changes or suggestions to Sandy Foreman.

IV. Review Proposed Schedule for Future Forums

There was discussion about the future meetings and which Board members and staff would attend. Staff will be attending Partnership meetings to inform attendees of the Board's work. By June 1, the Board members are to get the dates and times to Linda Cannon when they are available to attend Partnership meetings and/or forums.

V. Review and Adopt Statewide Grant Guidelines

Board members discussed the document and changes to the mission statement. Karen Woodhouse asked that the phrase "to learn" in the last bullet point be changed to "to succeed" to maintain continuity with the mission statement. Gary Pasquinelli moved that the document be approved with the change. Rhian Evans-Allvin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the document was approved.

VI. Interim Executive Director's Report

a. Branding and Website

First Things First was discussed as being the brand for the Board. Jack Jewett moved that this be approved. Dr. Eugene Thompson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

b. Budget

Mr. Hibbs provided a handout on the FY 07 Budget Estimate and a Revenue and Expenditure Report. Board members discussed the dollar amounts on the programs versus administrative dollars as well as the importance of the needs assessment.

c. Staffing/Draft Organization Chart

A revised Draft of the Organization Chart was reviewed and discussed by the Board. The Early Childhood Division should be considered the heart of the organization under which it was suggested that we add in a Tribal Liaison, a Special Needs person and a Health care consultant (i.e.: p/t Pediatrician).

d. Offices

A move to 4000 N. Central in Phoenix is in the planning stages. Temporary offices are being set up for existing staff and the new staff coming in soon, in the DOA Building. Currently, the move is planned for mid June 2007.

VII. Discuss Next Meeting Dates and Locations

The Chair announced that the June meeting will be held in Flagstaff on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 26 & 27. Dr. Pamela Powell is working with staff to make the arrangements for the Board Meeting at NAU. A Public Forum will be scheduled for Tuesday evening. Sandy Foreman is setting up site visits for Tuesday in the morning and possibly Wednesday.

VIII. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:35 am.

Approved by the Board June 16, 2007:

Nadine Mathis Basha, Chairman